

REMARKS

Claims 24-31 were pending in the case and will remain pending upon entry of this Amendment.

With regard to the rejections of the claims, Applicants, again point out that the present claims were directed to thiazolylcarboxanilides wherein the aniline moiety is substituted by non-aromatic substituents, such as cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl or bicycloalkyl, whereas the thiazolylcarboxanilides disclosed in both copending applications are biphenylcarboxanilides where the aniline moiety is substituted by aromatic systems. Thus the present application was clearly distinguished over the two copending patent applications. However to remove issues from the case and advance its prosecution, Applicants have amended the claims to remove the cycloalkenyl and bicycloalkenyl compounds. Applicants reserve the right to pursue those compounds in one or more future applications.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee(s) associated with this filing to Deposit account no. 50-2510.

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